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THE A. O. U. W. PICNIC.

An Enjoyable Day Was Spent Tuesday at the City Park.

Tuesday opened fair and promised to be a beautiful day for the Ancient Order of United Workmen's picnic. Up till half past nine o'clock, however, it looked as though the crowd would be rather slim, but when the Dodge City Band made its appearance on the street at ten o'clock, that musical organization, which has made itself famous for drawing crowds, stirred the denizens from out every nook and corner, and when the parade started for the picnic grounds at the City Park, the band had quite a following.

After reaching the park the program, which had been previously arranged, was carried out. The day's exercises were begun by the band. The Ladies' Quartette, which was composed of Mesdames Arment, Du Bois, Swinehart and Hubbard, with Mrs. Potter at the organ, sang the beautiful and well-known Scottish air, "Blue Bells of Scotland", in a very creditable manner, and which won them an applause that did not cease until the ladies appeared again and repeated the soul inspiring strains.

Dr. Crumbine then delivered the opening address and made a neat speech. He spoke of the intention of the lodge in giving the picnic and of the greatness of the order to which he belonged, and, as the average American citizen was "from Missouri" when it came to a business proposition, he would introduce Grand Master Workman John H. Crider, who would proceed to "show them."

Mr. Crider, in a mighty voice, began his discourse by flinging humorous stories at his hearers, who never failed to applaud him. He pointed out the good qualities of his lodge and endeavored to impress on the minds of his hearers the importance of providing for the family that would be left some day without a husband and father. A one thousand dollar check or a two thousand dollar check, he said, would come in mighty handy to the wife and children after the wage-earner's demise, and often would keep the wolf from the door. He then attacked long columns of figures, and was listened to with marked attention. He spoke of the greatness of the A. O. U. W., 410,000 strong, and 97,000 of its members lived in Kansas, the banner jurisdiction and the land of sunflowers, big corn crops and pretty girls. Mr. Crider talked for almost an hour, but the time spent in listening to him seemed short.

Miss Grace Hale, a member of the Degree of Honor, next favored the audience with an address which was well received.

The Ladies Chorus then sang the "Blue and Gray", and won merited applause. The band played a selection and the morning session adjourned at 12:30.

Dinner was then spread under the trees and the hungry were fed.

At 2:00 o'clock the Dodge City Band opened the afternoon's exercises, which was followed by the singing of "America" by the entire audience, which was accompanied by the band.

Judge B. F. Milton, in absence of Toastmaster F. J. Oyley, took the stump and made a short address.

Mrs. J. C. Baird responded to the toast "Degree of Honor," in a short but beautiful talk.

L. G. Grobety responded to "Fraternity", and pointed out the good points of that part of the workings of the lodge.

Harry Taylor next responded to the toast, "Protection," and it was so well rendered that he was applauded heartily.

The crowd was then started by the appearance of a fine looking gentleman who was introduced to the audience as Rev. F. S. Nusbaum, a Methodist minister, who was discovered in the crowd by a scout of the A. O. U. W., who was trying to make strangers feel at home.

Rev. Nusbaum, it seems, was a back-sliding in the lodge, but, he said, that it came natural for a Methodist to back-slide, but that he hoped some day to be under the protection of the order and in good standing.

His wife, he said, was a member of the Degree of Honor and always had been in good standing. She was not a back-sliding. He then proceeded to play a practical joke upon the assembly which, in a measure, succeeded admirably. He posed as Mr. Bryan, the Democratic candidate for the Presidency, and by the aid of a clear, strong, ringing voice, natural flow of language, fine delivery, and striking personal resemblance to that of Mr. Bryan, made it quite easy for him to mislead his hearers. He introduced enough politics into this part of his talk to make the audience open their eyes and when he made the startling statement that he was looking for votes and that he hoped to be the next President of the United States, they pinched themselves to make sure that they were not dreaming. Then Rev. Nusbaum smiled and the audience was "next". Mr. Nusbaum closed his discourse with words of praise for the good and glorious work of the A. O. U. W. had been doing.

Grand Master Crider was introduced and made a few pointed remarks, after which the band played and the crowd was told of the football game which was to

take place immediately just west of the grove. The crowd then separated and the meeting was over.

The football game was played between the High School eleven and a picked team of the town boys, the score standing 11 to 0 in favor of the High School eleven. The only thing worthy of note was the fast playing of Prof. Smith, of the victorious team. The usual brutal treatment, which characterizes football, was administered to the players, notwithstanding the fact that they were compelled to play on a bed of sandbars.

The bicycle races were scheduled to begin at 4:00 p. m., sharp, but on account of the delay occasioned by the football game, it was nearly 5 o'clock before the contestants for the five mile race lined up.

The riders got away well. Goodrich in the lead, but on rounding into the back stretch Carey jumped him and by a hard sprint opened a gap of over a hundred yards, and looked like a winner. Goodrich however kept plugging away and succeeded in overtaking his opponent, winning out after a sharp sprint to the tape. J. Northern, Warner Vance, H. H. Beattie and C. Milton started in the 1 mile race. They entered the home stretch with Northern in the lead, the others closely bunched in the sprint. Beattie lost control of his wheel and collided with Vance, throwing all but Northern who crossed the tape first; Milton second.

The 2-mile handicap brought out three starters. Tobe Anthony and Geo. Wells on scratch and Ray Anthony (250 yards). This race was well contested as Ray set a lively pace and was only caught in the home stretch and finished second. Tobe Anthony first.

The high wind prevented record breaking time being made, Carey's first mile in 2:45 being the fastest.

The attendance was not large, but a small sum was realized for Mrs. Carlock. In this connection the cycling boys deserve a much better patronage than they have received so far at the hands of the local public. The boys have always cheerfully and uncomplainingly furnished their share in every public event which has taken place. They are all young men of exemplary habits and have invariably upheld the reputation of the city on any track they have ever appeared on, spending both time and money to excel in this, the cleanest and most gentlemanly sport extant.

The day's doings ended with a grand ball at the Rink, which was largely attended. Beeson's orchestra furnished the music for the dance.

The Alfalfa Hay Crop.

There will be an abundance of hay this fall, and it is probably desirable that alfalfa growers have an abundant hay crop, for the reason that the winter promises to be an unusually severe one. Nature's kindly provision with man's energy and providence, will supply all needs. The summer was uncommonly warm, and as one extreme follows another, it is within reason to look out for a cold winter. The early snows in the mountains are a precursor of what may be expected. But the alfalfa hay crop will supply all needs for winter feeding for those who are engaged in raising that crop, and there will be an abundance to sell.

The hay crop is unusual this year. A. D. Wettick, of Gray county, has 300 acres of alfalfa which is more than a foot high. He has already cut three crops, and the next cutting will be the fourth crop. Mr. Wettick has one hundred acres of cane from which he is about to cut the second crop this season. These crops are raised without irrigation.

Geo. W. Reighard informs us that a alfalfa hay crop may be had every thirty-five days, without irrigation, if no part of the crop is left to go to seed.

Chris Behl is cutting the fourth crop of alfalfa. It has grown into a proverb that whenever Mr. Behl cuts his alfalfa the rains come. There is no exception to the rule this season, as the last rains testify.

J. H. Churchill is cutting his fourth crop of alfalfa at present. Had not grasshoppers and dryness hindered it is probable that a fifth crop of alfalfa could have been had. Captain Churchill notices the improved conditions in alfalfa hay culture with other improved conditions.

The saving of the buffalo grass by keeping out fires has helped climatic conditions. The growth and influence of timber is felt along the line of the railroad and river. A great difference is noted in the timber growth as compared to that of 20 years ago.

There are some alfalfa fields on the uplands. G. M. Curtis, of Hodgeman county, has a fine field of alfalfa, from which he gathers three crops this season. Other experiments with alfalfa on uplands are equally successful.

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Dr. Nusbaum's Lecture.

Dr. Nusbaum, of Ottawa, lectured in the M. E. church, Tuesday night. Instead of Dr. Marlin, who had been announced. Dr. Marlin's wife was sick, and this was one of the "Nails" that tore his coat.

Dr. Nusbaum sang a song before beginning his lecture, and he is at home either as a lecturer or singer. He opened his lecture by stating that there were two ways of becoming great. One is by your own merit and another is upon the reputation of some one else.

The manner of the speaker, his whole-souled ways, and geniality, wins the audience at once. He said he had been taken, so closely does he personally resemble, most all kinds of people, had been taken for all classes of people, extinguished and distinguished.

Mr. Marlin was a good looking man, but the speaker was never taken for a good looking man. He had been taken for President McKinley. In the afternoon Mr. Nusbaum captivated the audience at the A. O. U. W. barbecue, when he arose to speak, so closely does he resemble Mr. Bryan. Mr. Nusbaum entered into the humor of this mistake, and for a few minutes he readily held the audience in this deception, much to their amusement and his own pleasure.

The lecture in the church was spoken from manuscript. He said he would read in this way, so as to keep up the line of his subject, without being sidetracked.

"A man found" was the title of the subject. Christ was the man, but the speaker said the honor to be called a man was the greatest honor. He described the character of men needed, and so few are found of the best type of manhood. Greatest need of men was in the cities. Give us men in all the departments of life—genuine truthful men.

The best attributes of manhood was found in men who rather do what is right than the highest office in the land.

Character is the essential part of man. He spoke of men of great character who did not put aside their manhood under no circumstances. These men were such characters as Washington, Lincoln and others, who could not be swayed from their purpose by the promises of any throne within the gift of Europe.

There can be no greater men needed in any community than men who are true to the core. In describing such a man, would you find him and place a crown upon his head, and say, "An honest, sincere, real man."

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In talking upon the moral and political aspect of affairs, he inquired why should not the minister lead in politics as well as the gambler and the saloonkeeper? The pulpit was not too sacred for the minister to do his duty to God and humanity.

He referred to the men in life who do what constitutes manhood, and said it costs something to be such a man.

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FORD ITEMS.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—A large number of disk seeders have been purchased in this vicinity and wheat sowing is in rapid progress, the soil being in excellent order.

—Miss Ethel Small has returned from several months stay at Greensburg.

—Andy Elland is taking a rest at Ford from his serving in the Electric Works of Dodge City before starting east to Ohio.

—Miss Maud Gray is reported sick with scarlet fever at Nokomis, Ill., whither she went in company with her mother, Mrs. Kate Gray, who was called there on account of her mother's sickness.

—The Windsor House has been a busy place for healing by a specialist M. D. How suddenly people will discover diseased natures when stirred up on that line.

—J. D. Blanchard and wife, of Beaver county, Okl., spent a few days as guests of Jesse Geddes and family, returning home Tuesday.

—Will Winders has withdrawn from the Railroad service and has gone east to do Christian work.

—Mrs. Mary Pickles, of Bernardsville, N. J., is a guest of Mr. Geddis' family.

—L. K. VanHorn and family will soon be welcome citizens of Ford occupying his residence here. Walter will move into the Russell house occupied by J. O. Smith, the latter will move into the Hughes house.

—Walter VanHorne has gone as salesman to southern country to introduce three brands of fine flour from their big production at the Ford Flouring Mills.

—John Elmer, Thomas Weston's foreman, has gone to Wichita on a visit but expects to return about Nov. 1st to take Vet Stofers place as manager of the Drake ranch, east of Ford. Mr. Stofers will then join his family in Dodge City.

—Mr. Nelson, of Colorado, formerly of Lucas county, Iowa, has moved on the P. H. Young farm where Lewis Elder lived, the latter has moved to Mrs. Zora Guerin's farm and will have charge of the stock and farm work.

—Prof. Hibner and family are moving to the Brink place southeast of Ford.

T. P. Sweeney returned Monday from his Hutchinson visit well water soaked by the heavy rains.

—John Dellinger was among the G. A. R.'s who rallied at the big Hutchinson jubilee and his right arm still retains the magic touch imparted by "Col. Teddy's" cordial handshakes.

PLEASANT VALLEY.

—George Watkins and wife returned Monday from an enjoyable visit at Waukesha, Ill.

—C. A. Jones has purchased a house on the Dean place and will move it to his farm and combine it with his own, re-

modeling them and make him a roomy and comfortable residence.

—Miss Mabel Travis went to Dodge City Monday to visit friends and attend the barbecue Tuesday, whirl in the merry maize, and enjoy its fantasies Tuesday evening, returning on Wednesday. During her absence Miss Nellie was domestic queen, culinary goddess, grateful in the honors of tea serving and broom drill.

—The valley had a rain with some hail Sunday evening.

—Mrs. J. W. Travis is enjoying a long visit with her sons, Jodie, Frank, Bennie, and other friends in Chicago.

—Mrs. Barnes, of Bucklin, has been employed as teacher of the Valley School the coming year, which begins next Monday. She is one of Ford county's successful and experienced teachers.

—The Pleasant Valley Sunday School is progressing nicely. Harry Peacock resigned his place as superintendent, Sunday, to give his time to other Christian work. Mr. Scarbrough was elected to fill the vacancy.

Mrs. R. S. Crane is visiting her parents in Spearville.

H. C. Barnes, of Bucklin, was a pleasant caller this morning.

J. L. Myer, of the Edison restaurant, is in Newton for a few days.

M. M. Gwinner left yesterday for a ten days trip to Kansas City and Excelsior Springs.

The Democrats in Missouri are worried over the probable election of the Republican State ticket.

In the south McKinley will receive the largest vote ever given a Republican candidate. It is probable he may carry one or more southern states.

A meeting in Spearville last night was largely attended. T. A. Nofziger, candidate for State Senator, and the County candidates made speeches. They were well entertained. The people of Spearville were much aroused.

T. A. Nofziger, Republican candidate for State Senator, was in the city today, and left on the Rock Island for Ford, where he speaks tonight. Mr. Nofziger has a big fusion majority to overcome, as given four years ago, but the prospects are bright for his election.

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